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Changes

- 1. This Change Transmittal issues the following change to 1 FAM 150 in addition to numerous minor edits:
 - 1 FAM 155.6, The Office of Caribbean Affairs (WHA/CAR): Haiti has been removed from the list of islands and countries in this section.
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